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lowing classes have been held during

the month:

	Total Number	Attend- ance	Average
Class	Hi-d	Amc.	
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Business men	5	71	14
Student	4	37	9
Working boys	2	17	8
Boys'	8	240	30
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The following memorandum of
the cost of building the gymnasium,
making alterations, gymnasium
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was submitted by the secretary:

Building of gymnasium, al- terations, etc.	\$15,888.07
Gymnasium apparatus, la- bor, etc.	1,695.23
Furnishing (including elec- tric light fixtures)	676.70
Total	\$18,260.00

The Y. M. C. A. has gone into
debt \$6000 in order to meet all
obligations incident to recent im-

Y. M. C. A. DIRECTORS.

Committees Report on Affairs
of the Association.

MANY NEW MEMBERS ELECTED.

Canvass of City To Be Made Soon for
Purpose of Obtaining Money to
Liquidate Debt of Gymnasium.
Classes in Excellent Condition.

The regular monthly meeting of
the Board of Directors of the Y. M.
C. A. was held in the association
parlors last night. There was a
good attendance of members. The
secretary reported as follows for
the month of October:

The month of October has seen the
inauguration of the classes in the
gymnasium. It is very gratifying to
note that this new department in our
work is meeting with success; 123
men and youths have already joined
and we hope to see others enroll their
names.

The educational classes commenced
on the evening of the 8th and are well
patronized as the report will show.

Mr. Yatman, the evangelist, being
seen on board the Alameda decided to
pay us a visit and the meetings al-
ready held have accomplished much
good.

The Sunday service at the jail has
again resumed after a lapse of some
months. The vessels are still visited
on Sunday mornings and reading
matter left on each vessel.

The new book cases have been
placed in the reading room and our
books are once more in circulation.

REPORT OF DEVOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

Your Devotional Committee beg
leave to report that the following
meetings have been held during the
month of October: Prison services for
month, 3; total attendance, 290; aver-
age, 96. Boys' meetings for month, 3;
total attendance, 31; average, 10. Sun-
day evening praise service, 4; total
attendance, 867; average, 92. Yatman
meetings, 20; average estimated, 78.

The presence of Mr. Yatman
in our midst has been a great
blessing to many of us, giving us such
faith as we have never known before
and stirring us up to the need of the
great work which is constantly before
us in this city. Can it be that the
Christians of this city are indifferent
to the work of reconsecration and re-
generation which the Spirit of God
can effect in the lives of professing
Christians and of those who are not
Christians? What we need is the ear-
nest prayers and the earnest effort and
cooperation of every Christian in this
city, so that there may be no hind-
rance to the outpouring of the Spirit
upon us and the blessings which are
sure to follow. "Bring ye all the
tithe into the storehouse, and I will
pour out upon you such a blessing
that there shall not be room enough
to receive it." Shall we fulfill the
conditions and receive the blessing?

ARTHUR B. WOOD,
Chairman Devotional Committee

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In the Supreme Court of the Hawaiian Islands.

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1895.

EDMA G. TROUSSEAU, VS BRUCE CART WRIGHT AND HUGH M'INTYRE EXECUTORS OF THE WILL OF GEORGE P. TROUSSEAU, DECEASED.

Before JUDD, C.J., FREAR, J. and E.P. DOLE, Esq., a Member of the Bar in place of Mr. Justice BICKERTON absent from illness.

The agreement sued on and set forth in the opinion of the Chief Justice is supported by a sufficient consideration.

It was both made and to be performed in this country although executed by one of the parties thereto in Paris, France.

The capacity of a married woman to contract is governed by the *lex loci contractus*.

A separate wife domiciled in a foreign country may contract with her husband in that country.

A widow may sue the representatives of her deceased husband upon a valid contract made with him.

OPINION OF THE COURT, BY JUDD, C.J.

This action is brought by Madame Edma G. Troussau, widow of the late George P. Troussau, against his Executors upon a contract in writing, made in 1882, signed by plaintiff in Paris, France, on the 10th June, and in Honolulu on the 13th July by G. Troussau, the decedent. The agreement is in the French language, of which an English translation is furnished, as follows:

"It has been agreed and arranged as follows between the undersigned, Mr. George Phillippe Troussau, living at Honolulu, Sandwich Islands, of the one part, and Madame Edma Genevieve, living at Paris, boulevard Haussmann, No. 64, having been married, but now separated from the said George Troussau, of the other part:—

ARTICLE 1.

Monsieur Troussau admits as absolutely correct the account of the claims and demands proved by Madame Troussau, on the 11th of March, 1882, which said account amounts to the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand francs, payable at Paris in French money to Madame Troussau.

ARTICLE 2.

Monsieur Troussau engages to pay immediately to the French Consul at Honolulu, to the credit of Madame Troussau's account at Paris, a sum sufficient to form a capital of twenty thousand francs, payable at Paris in French money to Madame Troussau upon her receipt for the same.

ARTICLE 3.

Monsieur Troussau engages to pay henceforth upon the same conditions on the first day of January of each year, and for the first time on the 1st day of January, 1884, to the French Consul at Honolulu, a sum sufficient to form a capital of five thousand francs, payable at Paris each year in French money to Madame Troussau upon her receipt for the same.

This sum of five thousand francs is considered and regarded as interest on the capital of one hundred and thirty thousand eight hundred and sixty-five francs and fifty centimes, which will remain due from Mons. Troussau to Madame Troussau after the payment of the sum of twenty thousand francs, of which mention has been made above.

Mons. Troussau engages, if his circumstances allow him and as soon as they allow him, to discharge the total amount of his debt to Madame Troussau, by paying over to her the capital which will remain due to her:

As soon as this capital is reduced to one hundred thousand francs, the annual sum of five thousand francs settled as above, will decrease in proportion as the total debt is extinguished this annual sum of five thousand francs commencing from this period being considered as the interest at the legal rate in France, namely, five per cent. of this capital of one hundred thousand francs.

ARTICLE 4.

In case of the death of Madame Troussau, Monsieur Troussau undertakes to perform the preceding obligations on behalf of his two sons.

ARTICLE 5.

If Monsieur Troussau should leave Honolulu, he undertakes to notify the French Consul of the place where he proposes to establish his new residence.

ARTICLE 6.

Upon these conditions and immediately after the first payment to the French Consul at Honolulu of the sum sufficient to form a capital of twenty thousand francs, payable at Paris in French money, Madame Troussau undertakes to discontinue forthwith the proceedings instituted by her against Mons. Troussau at Honolulu, and to withdraw the demand made by her before the court of Hawaii.

ARTICLE 7.

The present articles of agreement should be performed in good faith on the part of both parties, and in the event of non-payment of any of the sums above mentioned at the date when it falls due, Madame Troussau will be at liberty to renew the proceedings upon the mere information which shall have been given to her by the French Consul at Honolulu, that the sum of money has not been paid at the date when it fell due.

This agreement is made in three originals, one for Mons. Troussau, the second for Mme. Troussau, and the third for the Bureau of the French Consulate at Honolulu.

At Paris, the tenth day of June, A.D. 1882, for Mme. Troussau, and at Honolulu the thirteenth day of July, 1882, for Mons. Troussau.

In approval of the foregoing instrument (Sgd.) E. TROUSSEAU,
nee Vaunois

In approval of the foregoing instrument (Sgd.) G. TROUSSEAU.

The bill of particulars claims amount of principal due and unpaid as per the agreement executed by defendant July 13, 1882—\$28,173—and interest on the said sum from 1st

January, 1894, at 5 per cent., \$1158 16; total, \$27,331 16.

The complaint, after pleading the agreement, sets out *inter alia* that the decedent, in pursuance thereof, paid the sum of five thousand francs annually to the plaintiff to the end of the year 1893, but paid nothing on the principal sum of one hundred and thirty thousand, eight hundred and fifty centimes.

The agreement declared on was made in consideration that the plaintiff would forbear to proceed in a certain action then pending in the Supreme Court of the Hawaiian Islands, brought by her against said George P. Troussau to recover the sum of \$37,882 25, then due, owing, and payable by the said George P. Troussau to plaintiff upon the judgment of a French Court, and that plaintiff, upon the execution and delivery of said agreement, discontinued her said action, and that at the date of the agreement declared on she (plaintiff) was separated from her said husband by decree of Court she ought to have power to make contracts with every one, not excepting her husband. The statute says that the decree shall have the effect to "reinstate" her in these rights as if she had not been married.

Very many Courts have held that where the Married Women's Acts allow the wife to have "sole control" of her separate property or "to act as a *feme sole*," she may sue even her husband with respect to it.

Wright v. Wright, 54 N.Y. 477; Whitney v. Whitney, 49 Barb. 319; Scott v. Scott, 18 Ind. 225; Emerson v. Clayton, 32 Ill. 493; and may recover against him in ejectment, Wood v. Wood, 83 N.Y. 575. The opposite view is sustained in Small v. Small, 129 Penn. 368.

If the right of a married woman, separated from her husband, to contract with him and to sue him, is limited to contracts and suits concerning her separate property, the case before us seems to be of that character. A French Court had adjudged Mons. Troussau to be indebted to his wife in the large sum mentioned.

The judge was, therefore, her separate property, and she brought the suit here to enforce it.

The exceptions are sustained and the demurser is overruled.

The case is sent back to the Circuit Court, First Circuit, for further proceedings.

The defendants executors interposed a demurser, alleging as ground s:

1. The complaint is insufficient in law.

2. The agreement sued on is void for want of a good, sufficient and valuable consideration.

3. The alleged contract sued on is inoperative and of no effect, being an attempted contract between husband and wife.

The demurser was sustained by Circuit Judge Cooper, on the ground (first) that the agreement does not show any consideration for the promise to pay the principal sum, but only the interest, a forbearance by plaintiff upon Mons. Troussau's promise to pay interest which he was bound to pay without any new promise and (second) because the parties being separated but not divorced, the statute of 1888, would not authorize a suit by the wife against her husband or his personal representatives.

The law is well settled that forbearance to exercise a right is a good consideration.

"A valuable consideration, in the sense of the law, may consist in some right, interest, profit or benefit accruing to the one party or some forbearance, detriment, loss or responsibility given, suffered, or undertaken by the other." Currie vs. Miss 10 L.R. Exch. 162.

"The consideration upon which an assumption shall be founded must be for the benefit of the defendant or to the trouble or prejudice of the plaintiff. And therefore a promise in consideration of the forbearance of a suit is good; for that is for the benefit of the defendant, tho' the action is not discharged." 1 Comyn's Digest p. 195.

Prof. Langdell in his notes to select cases Part II p. 1022 finds that "detriment to the promisee is a universal test of the sufficiency of consideration; i.e. every consideration must possess this quality, and, possessing this quality, it is immaterial whether it is a benefit to the promisor or not."

Tested by this rule I find that it was a detriment to Madame Troussau (the promisee) to give time to Mons. Troussau, to pay the remainder of principal debt "as soon as circumstances would allow" (i.e. "when able")—and the taking of interest annually at less than the Hawaiian rate. I hold therefore, that Mons. Troussau's assumption was upon valuable considerations and the agreement in this respect was good. This ground of demurser cannot be sustained.

The remaining question is whether the contract itself is inoperative and void, as having been made between husband and wife, who though separated by judicial decree, were not divorced.

The interesting inquiry whether the validity of this contract should be tested by French or Hawaiian law becomes pertinent. The contract was made in 1882; the Married Woman's Act of 1888 has, therefore, no effect upon it. The contract must be tested by the law in force at the time it was made, whether French or Hawaiian.

I am of opinion that it must be judged by Hawaiian law.

The contract was drafted here. It is of no significance that it was in the French language; it might have been written in any other language. The domicil of Mons. Troussau was here, and the suit against him was pending in this Court. The contract was to be performed here. Mons. Troussau did not engage to pay Madame Troussau in Paris. He bound himself to pay to the French Consul at Honolulu a certain sum which would be equal to five thousand francs in Paris. This means that if the payment of one thousand dollars here would not be sufficient to net 5000 francs in Paris, he must bear the exchange; in case he removed from Honolulu, he was to notify the Consul of the place where he proposed to establish his new residence. The "mere information" to Madame Troussau by the French Consul at Honolulu that any of the sums agreed by Mons. Troussau to be paid were not paid when due, authorized Madame Troussau to revive the suit. The Consul here was to judge whether the contract had been broken.

When tested by the rule that the place of the performance of the contract is to be determined by the intention of the parties, we find that the place of the performance was to be at Honolulu, and the contract is to be governed by Hawaiian law. Having thus held, it is unnecessary to consider whether the French law is well pleased in the complaint.

Is this contract void? By the common law it would be, as being made between husband and wife. But a decree of divorce *a mensa et thoro* had been made. Madame Troussau was a "separated wife."

Our Hawaiian statute defining the status of such a woman is peculiar. I do not find any similar statute in other countries. See Dean v. Rich mond 5 Pick. 561. The statute reads Sec. 1339 Civil Code (Comp. Laws, p. 440). "Whenever a decree of separation is granted, the *lex loci contractus* is generally to govern the capacity to contract as well as questions of the validity of the contract itself. See the leading case of Milliken v. Pratt, 125 Mass. 374, for a discussion of the authorities and a lucid statement of the arguments pro and con, by Chief Justice Gray, now a Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. See also Ross

v. Ross, 129 Mass. 248; Bell v. Packard, 39 Mass. 105; Graham v. National Bank, 84 N.Y. 383; Nixon v. Hale, 78 Ill. 611; Wright v. Remington, 41 N.J.L. 48; Holmes v. Reynolds, 65 Vt. 39; Story, Conf. of Laws, Secs. 103; Whar. Conf. of Laws, Sec. 120.

Fourthly, in this case, which is the *locus contractus*, France or Hawaii, by the law of which the capacity of the plaintiff to make contracts with her husband. This character of contract is not excepted, as in the Married Women's Act of 1888.

I find the statute broad enough to allow the separated woman to contract with her husband.

This construction is in accord with the modern policy of the treatment of woman. If she is separated from her husband by decree of Court she ought to have power to make contracts with every one, not excepting her husband. The statute says that the decree shall have the effect to "reinstate" her in these rights as if she had not been married.

The *locus contractus*, that is, the seat of an obligation, may be either the *locus celebratio*nis or the *locus solutionis*, the place where the contract is made or that where it is to be performed. Whether it is one or the other in any particular case is a question of fact rather than of law—a question chiefly of the intention of the parties.

For the validity of a contract is governed by the law with a view to which it was made." In general in the absence of anything showing a contrary intention, the *locus celebratio*nis is to be regarded as the *locus contractus*, but if the contract is to be performed elsewhere, this is regarded as strong and in some cases conclusive evidence that the contract was made with reference to the *lex loci solutionis*. For a clear statement of the law and references to the authorities upon this phase of the case, see Pritchard v. Norton, 106 U.S. 324.

In the present case, I find that the contract was both made and to be performed in this country, and hence there is no occasion to consider any conflicting views as to whether the *lex loci celebrationis* or the *lex loci solutionis* should govern for they are identical in this case.

In the first place the contract was made here. This is clear both from the contract itself and from the pleadings.

The contract was executed by Madame Troussau in Paris, June 10, 1882, and by Mons. Troussau at Honolulu, July 13, 1882. But it must be regarded as completed as a binding contract at the same time and place, at least, if it be considered as one bilateral contract. And, since it cannot have become a contract until there was a meeting of the minds of the parties, it must be considered as having become binding at the time and place where it was last executed, that is, at Honolulu, the assent of the party first executing being deemed to continue until execution by the other party. If there were two unilateral contracts, then there can be no question that the promise sued on, that is, Mons. Troussau's was made here.

The pleadings also show that the contract was made here, for the agreement is described in the declaration as "made and signed by the said defendant on the 13th of July, A.D. 1882," at which time the document was executed by him at Honolulu.

In the second place the contract was to be performed here. On Madame Troussau's part, performance, namely, discontinuance and forbearance, was to take place here. On Mons. Troussau's part his admission of the correctness of the claim against him was made here; his payments were to be made to the French Consul here through payable ultimately in Paris; failure on his part to pay the Consul here is expressly made a breach of the contract; payment by him to the Consul here would be performance on his part whether the money ever reached Paris subsequently or not; in case of his departure from Honolulu, he was to notify the Consul here of his proposed new residence, and, presumably, continue to remit to the Consul here. It may be that the remote matter for the settlement of which this agreement was made was the decree of the French Court, or some other matter having its seat in France, but this alone, if shown to be a fact, would not control the other circumstances of the case, while on the other hand, the immediate matter for the settlement of which the agreement was made was the suit in the Hawaiian Court.

Lastly, under Hawaiian law, in 1882, could a separated wife make a contract of this kind with her husband? It is provided in Section 1339 of the Civil Code that "whenever a decree of separation is granted, the decree shall have the effect, during such separation, to reinstate the wife, whether the wrong-doer or not, in the right to sue or be sued, to alienate and convey property, to make contracts, and to do all other acts as if she were a *feme sole*." The question is, whether this statute is to be construed as authorizing contracts with any person, according the plain and natural meaning of the words, or as excepting by implication contracts with a husband.

The statute elsewhere most similar to the statute now in question and which has been the subject of judicial construction are the so-called married women's acts. Under these acts there seems to be a great preponderance of authority in favor of the view that a married woman, even though not separated from her husband, may sue him in matters respecting her separate property, on the ground that such power to sue is necessary to secure to her the enjoyment of her property and effectuate the purpose of the statutes. The decretal which was the basis of this agreement was the wife's separate property, and, therefore, it would seem that she could sue him for it. Could she not equally well arrange with him for the settlement of the claim peacefully? Does the policy of the law require that a wife should enforce her rights against her husband by litigation rather than by agreement?

But in so far as the validity of a contract rests upon the status of a party thereto, there is considerable diversity of opinion in respect to the law which should govern. The continental European Jurists as a rule maltautin that the *lex domicili* should govern. In England the question seems to be somewhat unsettled. In the United States, there has been some leaning towards the European doctrine, as for instance, in Matthews v. Murchison, 17 Fed. Rep. 780, in which, however, the statement of the Court that the *lex domicili* controlled as to the ability of a married woman to contract, may perhaps be regarded as *obiter dictum*, inasmuch as the *locus contractus* to that case was also the *locus contractus*. See also 3 Am. & Eng. Enc. of Law 573. But it may now be considered as settled by the decided weight of authority and, it seems to me in consonance with the better reasons, that the *lex loci contractus* is generally to govern the capacity to contract as well as questions of the validity of the contract itself. See the leading case of Milliken v. Pratt, 125 Mass. 374, for a discussion of the authorities and a lucid statement of the arguments pro and con, by Chief Justice Gray, now a Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. See also Ross

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Fourthly, in this case, which is the *locus contractus*, France or Hawaii, by the law of which the capacity of the plaintiff to make contracts with her husband. This character of contract is not excepted, as in the Married Women's Act of 1888.

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For the validity of a contract is governed by the law with a view to which it was made." In general in the absence of anything showing a contrary intention, the *locus celebratio*nis is to be regarded as the *locus contractus*, but if the contract is to be performed elsewhere, this is regarded as strong and in some cases conclusive evidence that the contract was made with reference to the *lex loci solutionis*. For a clear statement of the law and references to the authorities upon this phase of the case, see Pritchard v. Norton, 106 U.S. 324.</

A NEW CONSUL GENERAL

Japan Changes Its Representative.

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The Labor Problem to Have
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S. SHINNAURA, JAPANESE CONSUL GENERAL TO HAWAII.

Japan with Goro Narito, for four years secretary of the Legation here.

Mr. Shinnamura seems not above forty years of age, and a good many of those forty have been spent in important diplomatic missions in different parts of the world. He has served his Government in London and in New York, where he was consul-general; and for ten months prior to the Japan-China war he was Consul-General at the City of Mexico. He was summoned by cable message to Tokio while at the Mexican capital and then assigned to special duty with the second army, acting as advisor to the general-in-chief in all matters of a diplomatic character. In this position he was frequently called upon for advice in deciding some very delicate questions. He visited the Pescadores, and was in Formosa during the troubles there and was the governor's special advisor.

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"There has been more or less difficulty regarding that important question. The Japanese Government feels that the terms of the treaty have not been kept."

"Do you think the matter of abrogating the treaty has been seriously considered by your government?"

"Perhaps not seriously, but it has been considered. I have special instructions regarding the labor question, and it is one that will require careful consideration before any decisive action can be taken. I propose to investigate thoroughly the causes for complaint first. The views of the Hawaiian Government differ in many respects from those of Japan, and if the Government here cannot change them, even to the extent of living up to the terms of the treaty, why—

"You will abrogate?"

"Probably, but, as I said before, it is a question that involves very careful consideration. You must know that Japan does not depend upon these islands as an outlet for its rapidly growing population. There are other places nearer home where they can secure employment and quite as advantageously as here. Complaints against the Hawaiian Government for breach of the treaty, or, correctly speaking, labor convention, have been made so often that the Japanese Government feels that steps should now be taken to have it settled definitely and forever. The relations, otherwise, between the two Governments are cordial, and I feel certain they will continue so and that the differences regarding labor will be amicably settled. You may say to your readers that there is not even a possibility of the people here becoming citizens of Japan through any act of my Government. If they wish to become such they will have to leave Hawaii and go over to Japan."

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IN MEMORIAM.

Eulogy to Memory of Mother Hitchcock by a Friend.

Mrs. Alameda E. Hitchcock, wife of Hon. David H. Hitchcock, died at the family residence on Walanienu Avenue in Hilo, Hawaii, on October 29, 1895, aged 67 years and 19 days. Mrs. Hitchcock was an American lady of culture, education and refinement, and in the spring-time of life she was a teacher in the grammar schools of New York and Boston. But her young heart was touched by Cupid's arrow and her eyes turned longingly toward these islands as the harbor bar beyond which life held for her love and joy and peace. So setting sail at Boston she came "round the Horn" to become the wife of an obscure young lawyer, who since that time has made his name known all over the Republic. Arriving in the harbor of Honolulu, Mr. Hitchcock and a minister of the Gospel went on board and the brave little woman came ashore the wife of the man with whom she has walked hand in hand down the declivity of life's pathway for more than the third of a century, participating in the joys and sorrows of life rearing a large and respected family of boys and girls who are all now grown to man's estate, and all living but her namesake daughter, the wife of Dr. W. J. Moore, whose sad death occurred only a few months ago and from the effects of which Mother Hitchcock as she was familiarly called never fully recovered.

The immediate cause of death was physical exhaustion produced by gastric inflammation and inability to retain nutriment. Mrs. Hitchcock had never been ill before during her married life and was able to go about every day until within four days of her death. At an age greater than most of us may hope to attain, and when the human faculties are usually dulled and relaxed by the burden of years, she seemed vigorous and her faculties undimmed by the flight of time and with surprising alertness she vigilantly watched over the home of which she was queen until the final summons came, when she cheerfully responded: "I am all right; I am ready," and when the boatman with shadowy oar neared the shore her pure spirit accompanied him over the dark, wide river to the further shore, where she will dwell in that sequestered valley of eternal life and where the spiritual flowers of eternal spring time will bloom with perennial beauty and glory forever more.

The body was dressed in a simple white gown, and Mother Hitchcock looked more like some one sleeping sweetly in the full vigor of robust health than one whose sleep knew no wakening. No one could have determined from the placid features that no whisper could come back to say a word to loved ones left behind. She had whispered her last good night; her voice was hushed until the judging day.

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ISSUED TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

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One of the latest items in Governor Altgeld's pardoning record is the release of 112 girls from an industrial school in Evanston, Ill. When the governor goes out of office there will, undoubtedly, be plenty of work for the reformatory and prison managers in gathering up the stray wanderers which have been turned loose on the country.

Numerous complaints are being made about town that the sanitary conditions of which the people have been justly proud since the general house cleaning, are relapsing into a state of innocuous desuetude. It is very necessary that a strict watch should be kept over the districts most liable to revert to former conditions. The city has been cleaned once and ought to be kept clean.

At the recent meeting of the Social Purity Congress in Baltimore, Francis Willard, president of the W. C. T. U., remarked that the bicycle is one of the greatest allies of social purity. In Chicago saloon keepers and theatrical managers are cursing the bicycle because the young folks are riding out into the country instead of patronizing their resorts. If this is true, bicycle manufacturers and bicycle agents ought to be placed on record as the greatest missionary workers of the age.

NEW SOUTH WALES AND JAPAN.

A clause in the British treaty with Japan, which provides that the stipulations of the treaty shall not be applicable to certain enumerated colonies, including the Australian colonies, unless those colonies see fit to accept the conditions within two years of the ratification, has given New South Wales its first problem of foreign policy to solve. New South Wales has the opportunity to accept or reject the treaty, and, judging from appearances, the colony is utterly at a loss to know what to do with it. Already one year has elapsed since ratifications were exchanged, and still no decision has been reached. On the 11th of September the matter came up in the Legislative Councils of the colony, and the Attorney General stated that the treaty bristled with advantages, but, on the other hand, there were some dangerous clauses, and what the Government had to do was to get the benefits without the disadvantages.

The "dangerous clauses" are those which secure to the subjects of the two contracting powers full liberty to enter, travel or reside in any part of the dominions of the other and immunity from any higher imposts or charges than those imposed on native subjects. The acceptance of this condition precludes the passing of any laws to restrict Japanese immigration. Here lies the difficulty. The agitation against Japanese immigration is on the increase, and there will undoubtedly be an attempt to "gain concessions" from the present wording of the treaty. The colonies are anxious to extend their trade with Japan, but they have in view a protective policy which it is not reasonable to believe Japan will accept.

The feeling existing in the Australian Colonies against the Japanese is on much the same plane as that which Commissioner Fitzgerald of San Francisco is seeking to inculcate among the people of the Coast. It is a desire for reciprocity without in turn reciprocating, and is by no means becoming to the good sense of the agitators.

JAPANESE EMIGRATION.

The Nichi Nichi Shimbun of Yokohama published recently a short article which purports to be the substance of a report made by Japanese Consul Shimizu on the Japanese emigration to this country. Mr. Shimizu says that public opinion in Hawaii is divided.

"There is, first, the view of the traders, who are deriving great profits from the sugar and coffee plantations on which Japanese labor is employed; secondly, the view of the politicians, who are in favor of American annexation and who regard with disfavor the large influx of Asiatics that is taking place. The traders maintain that the prosperity of the Sandwich Islands is

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principally owing to the fact that planters, having been for many years supplied with cheap labor, have been enabled to grow sugar and prepare it for export at a cost that leaves a good margin of profit. But if the Hawaiian Government were to place any obstacles in the way of the planters utilizing the facilities offered to them by such countries as China and Japan the consequence would be a general collapse of the whole trade from which the revenue of the country is now derived. Among immigrants, the planters prefer the Japanese to the Chinese and Portuguese, on the ground that they are easily managed and that they do more work in proportion to wages paid them than laborers of any other nationality. Hence, if the planters have their way, Japanese immigrants will always be welcome in Hawaii. But there is no disguising the fact that the Hawaiian Government are implacably opposed to the policy of the planters, and regard with some apprehension the presence of a multitude of Asiatics in the islands. The objections that these politicians have to the employment of Eastern laborers are the stereotyped arguments so often urged in America and Australia; arguments which, when closely examined, are found to depend upon nothing but race prejudice. In these days of keen competition, it is little likely that politicians influenced by such prejudice will be allowed to place serious obstacles in the way of the further development of an industry to which Hawaii owes all its importance and prosperity."

Mr. Shimizu has told part of the story but it is clearly evident that he has treated the subject from only one point of view and has exaggerated not a little in many instances. He fails to note that many of the planters or traders as he classes them are among prominent advocates of American annexation. Furthermore it cannot be said that the Hawaiian Government is implacably opposed to the policy of the planters.

While the Asiatic population may be a necessary factor in the development of many of our industries it is not necessary to overrun the country with these people. Mr. Shimizu evidently misinterprets the building up of American systems, which can only be done by the introduction of American labor, as the result of racial prejudice, and in so doing makes a great mistake. The Chinese and Japanese have their place in this country and always will have, and it is the height of folly to state that an attempt to introduce American labor to build up the smaller industries is evidence of ill feeling toward the people of the Eastern nations. With American annexation in view it is manifestly proper that the people of this country should put forth every endeavor to create industrial conditions that will be in sympathy with those existing in the United States.

A CASE OF CONSCIENCE.

Among the incidents of the late cholera visitation is one which reveals the energy of conscience and its supreme power in the disciplined soul. A conscientious citizen living not far from Punahoa had been in the habit for years of consuming a dried herring for his Sunday morning breakfast. The herring had been lawfully imported, or smuggled, into this hamlet of virtue and revolutions, in order to tickle the appetites of men who reside here for mercantile, missionary and multifarious purposes, and was believed to be free from the cholera germs.

When the Board of Health forbade the use of fresh fish, the sensitive conscience of this law-abiding citizen put before him, in all its ghastly nakedness, the question whether or not the eating of the dried herring did not come within the spirit, if not the letter, of the law. Instead of seeking the advice of lawyers he asked an affable and learned member of the Board of Health his opinion, and was positively informed that the germs of the cholera could not be taken into the system by simply smelling.

Thereupon he placed the dried and ancient fish upon his table every Sunday morning and smelt its pungent and delicious odor until the tabu was removed. On the happening of that event he consumed it with evidences of the wildest gluttony, and with the deepest feelings of gratitude he sat down and addressed a memorial to the Executive Council asking that his name be placed on the roll of the ever-faithful patriots, and that in distribution of the next periodical series of "testimonials" granted for eminent services to the Republic, his name should not be forgotten.

THE EIGHT OF SUFFRAGE.

There are some points brought out in the discussions in the Massachusetts papers on the pending question of extending to women municipal suffrage, which are of interest as affecting similar questions of rights and expediency in the Hawaiian Islands. At the November election in Massachusetts all present male voters and as many women as are now entitled to vote on the election of school committees by previous legislation sixteen years ago are now asked by balloting "yes" or "no" to answer the question: "Is it expedient that municipal suffrage be granted to women?"

An active canvass has been in progress, meetings held and sermons are preached urging all to vote the affirmative of this question. It has been submitted to popular vote, previous to legislation, much on the same principle as the Swiss referendum submits finally to popular vote the ratification of legislation proposed. The demand is based on the idea of the perfect equality of man and woman in all the rights and duties of life. It is put forth as the logical last step in the advances toward such equality made in these recent years in technical industries, the learned professions, the higher education.

Self-ownership and self-direction is the goal towards which all these efforts point. Man goes limping along while he might be striding forward. The superior authority claimed for the male sex is as disastrous to the one who exercises it as to the one who submits to it.

The manly man is he who wants woman at his side as counsellor, helper, and guide, with her finer instincts, stronger attachments, upward look. Woman's suffrage is coming as sure as day follows night.

Then comes the statelier Eden back to men:

Then reigns the world's great bridals, chaste and calm;

Then springs the crowning race of human kind.

But on the other hand some of the foremost citizens have united sending out a circular letter to Massachusetts' voters, advising against this extension of the present right of suffrage. The United States Supreme Court has rendered a decision, endorsed by all sound, logical, judicious thinkers, that no man, nor any woman either, has a natural, inherent title as such to the exercise of the right of suffrage. The preamble to the constitution of Massachusetts embodies this statement: "The whole people covenants with each citizen, and each citizen with the whole people, that all shall be governed by certain laws for the common good." That expresses the distinction between the people and the citizens, which obtains in the Republic of Hawaii as well in the State of Massachusetts. The incapacity of women for all the duties of citizenship is a fact of nature, not a condition created by legislation. It is illogical, unnatural, inexpedient, that the power which makes the laws should be vested in a body different from that which has the power to enforce the laws. Equality of opportunity does not mean identity of function. The offices which women fulfil in the organism of the State are different from those of men, while, at the same time, they are indispensable in their normal conditions and relations. There is evident disadvantage in merely doubling the number of votes without increasing thereby proportionally the power of the State. Such an extension of the suffrage would not promote the welfare of women nor the well-being of society. It would be imminent to the highest development of that family life which is the basis of the growth and prosperity of the State. The present division of duties and privileges between the sexes is founded on reason and on natural conditions. Quality, not quantity, is the pressing need. A higher standard of patriotism is the duty of the hour for both men and women, that shall put forward the common good and not the individual advancement, as the goal of

united desire, effort and attainment.

CONVERSION MEANS WORK.

George M. Hepworth, one of the "Sunday editorial" writers of the New York Herald says of the converted man: "To be converted is simply to be turned toward God, and the converted man is one who deliberately comes to the conclusion that it is better to obey God's laws than to break them. With that definition the word has a peculiar significance. Whether orthodox or heterodox, we all admit that the mental struggle which ends in the conviction that faith in and submission to a superintending Providence will produce higher results than uncontrolled selfishness is a struggle which every man who lives ought to make. There is no room for difference of opinion on this subject, provided we look at it in a broad generous way. My impression is that the Church has done the world a great injury by introducing into that experience a mysticism which drains from it all philosophy and common sense. There is no magic in the new birth, but there is glory, peace, happiness and final victory. It is discouraging to a man to be told that everything will go well with him after his conversion, for that cannot be true until the laws of the universe are repealed, and if you deceive him on that point his last condition may be worse than his first. It is safest to tell the truth always."

Unfortunately for the many divisions of the Protestant church and the cause of Christianity many people have been brought into the fold while under the influence of an outburst of religious enthusiasm, and believing that the trials and sorrows of life are to be no more after once having taken the first step. After reverting to the humdrum of daily routine, they find life to be much the same after all, and occasionally decide that religion does not fill the aching void as they had anticipated. They place the blame at the door of religion when as a matter of fact the fault is in the manner in which they started out. To the thoroughly converted man, "Life is real, life is earnest," as never before. He has more to combat with because he has placed his standards of life higher. His natural tendency is to return to his former easy-going way on finding that he cannot depend upon the vagaries of momentary enthusiasm. It is absolutely necessary for a man to decide at some juncture whether he will sacrifice for the right or live a selfish life. If the latter, he plays on a harp with broken strings: if the former, he is a warrior with mailed armor, but still a warrior. The fight is before him, and he must do himself credit in the battle. Do not persuade him that he has nothing to do, for he has everything to do; but he will do it with a new spirit and a new courage.

Six weeks ago I suffered with a very severe cold, was almost unable to speak. My friends all advised me to consult a physician. Noticing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy advertised in the St. Paul Voits Zeitung I procured a bottle, and after taking it a short time was entirely well. I now most heartily recommend this remedy to any one suffering with a cold. Wm. Keil, 678 Selby Ave., St. Paul, Minn. For sale by all dealers. BENSON, SMITH & CO., agents for H. L.

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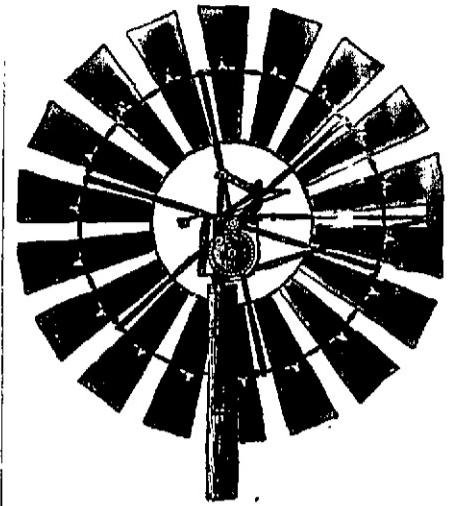
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ALLEN & ROBINSON v. F. H. RED WARD AND HAWAIIAN LODGE, NO 21, OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS.

Before BICKERTON and FREAR, J. J., and MR. W. R. CASTLE, of the Bar, in place of Judd, C. J., dis-qualified.

Findings of fact by the trial court, jury waived like the findings of a jury can not be set aside if there is sufficient evidence to support them.

Payments made under a building contract by the owner to a material man upon the order of the contractor, may by agreement between the contractor and material man and in the absence of any other agreement with the owner be applied first to a sum advanced by the material man for labor and then to materials furnished.

The lien provided by statute in favor of a sub-contractor or material man is not limited to the amount payable under the original contract to the principal contractor.

An abandonment of the work by the contractor after payment in full for the proportion of work then done is not a bar to the enforcement of a lien for materials furnished by a sub-contractor before the abandonment.

An agreement of the contractor to give sufficient evidence that the premises are free from liens and to indemnify the owner for payments made in discharging liens does not estop a material man from enforcing a lien.

An assignment to the material man by the contractor of all moneys payable under the contract, accepted by the owner "subject to all the conditions of the contract," does not estop the material man from enforcing a lien.

A material man is not entitled to a lien for material which, though furnished to a contractor for a building, never was incorporated in the building but was delivered at the contractor's shop and by him disposed of for his own benefit.

The notice of a lien for material furnished by a sub-contractor should show the nature of the material for which the lien is claimed.

OPINION OF THE COURT, BY FREAR, J.

The defendant Redward contracted with the defendant Hawaiian Lodge to do, for \$7234, the carpenter work, wrought and cast iron work and plastering upon the building known as the Masonic Temple situated on the easterly corner of Hotel and Alakea streets in Honolulu. The contractor abandoned the work before its completion and after \$4700 had been paid under the contract, this being more than was payable for the proportion of work then done. The Hawaiian Lodge therupon completed the work at a cost exceeding the original contract price. The plaintiff, S. C. Allen, doing business under the name of Allen & Robinson, claims to have advanced \$2392 cash for labor and to have furnished materials of the value of \$194.45, including importation charges, to the contractor for this building. The \$4700 paid under the contract was all paid to the plaintiff upon the order of the contractor. The plaintiff now sues for a balance of \$2884.45 and interest thereon and claims a lien on the building and lot, under the "Act to Provide for Liens of Mechanics and Material men," Ch 21, Laws of 1888.

The case was tried in the Circuit Court of the First Circuit, jury waived, where judgment was rendered for the plaintiff for \$2884.79, besides interest, this being the amount claimed less \$51.66, the value of materials shown not to have been delivered and the lien was sustained for this amount upon the building and premises of the defendant Hawaiian Lodge.

The twenty-three exceptions enumerated in the bill of exceptions may be considered in substance under a few heads.

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These findings of fact, regulated, as they must be, as in the nature of a verdict of a jury, cannot be set aside, there being sufficient evidence to sustain them.

Secondly, evidence of the agreement relating to application of payments was properly admitted. In the absence of an agreement upon the subject with the owner, it was competent for the contractor and material man to agree upon the application of payments made to the latter upon the order of the former. The rules relating to the application of payments to general apply to cases of this kind. Phillip Mee Lien, Sec. 287; 2 J. Jones, Lien, Sec. 1307, 1 Am. Ld. Cas. 3rd Ed., 286, 299.

Thirdly, the Circuit Court correctly held that the amount for which the property may be charged with a lien in favor of a subcontractor or material man is not limited to the amount payable by the owner to the contractor.

In a few States, subcontractors are given no lien at all upon the property, but a lien only on the debt payable by the owner to the contractor. In many States a direct lien is given on the property, but with an express limitation to the amount of the original contract price. Under these two classes of statutes, the right of the material man has generally been held to be controlled by the state and account between the owner and contractor—the material man or sub contractor being merely subrogated to the rights of the contractor.

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with expressions clearly showing that there is no limit, as in a few States. Under such statutes, courts have generally held that the material man may have a lien for the reasonable value of the materials furnished by him, even though in excess of the amount payable to the principal contractor under the original contract.

Our statute is of this nature. It gives a direct lien upon the property to the sub contractor without limit with reference to the original contract price. The statute provides:

"Section 1 Any person or association of persons furnishing labor or material to be used in the construction or repair of any building, structure, railroad or other undertaking, shall have a lien for the price agreed to be paid for such labor or material (if it shall not exceed the value thereof) upon such building, structure, railroad or other undertaking, as well as upon the interest of the owner of such building, structure, railroad or other undertaking in the land upon which the same is situated."

This section of the statute gives a lien to "any person furnishing material" and makes no distinction between contractors and sub-contractors. Other sections, 5 and 6, show clearly that subcontractors were intended to be included.

The lien is "for the price agreed to be paid." This may mean the price agreed either between the owner and contractor or between the contractor and material man. It would naturally mean the price agreed to on one side at least by the "person furnishing the materials" and that would be the sub contractor if the materials were furnished by him.

There is not only no express or implied limit of the sub-contractor's lien on the price agreed between the owner and contractor, but the clause "if it shall not exceed the value thereof,"

would seem to have been inserted for the purpose of preventing collusion between the contractor and sub-contractor whereby they might otherwise bind the owner beyond the real value of the materials or labor. This clause would hardly have been inserted to protect the owner against his own agreement. Indeed, he would ordinarily be estopped from saying that the price he agreed to pay exceeded the real value.

Again, as a rule the price agreed upon between the owner and the contractor is a lump sum for all labor and material covered by the contract, and in such cases the only "price agreed to be paid" for such labor or material" as may be furnished by the several material-men or sub-contractors is the price agreed between them and the contractor.

Section 6, which provides that when the work or material is furnished to a contractor, that is, by a sub-contractor or, laborer or material man, "the owner may retain from the amount payable to the contractor sufficient to cover the amount due or to become due to the person or persons who filed the lien," may, at first glance, seem to indicate that the Legislature contemplated that there would be sufficient to satisfy all liens out of the original contract price, and that therefore there was no intention to give any further right. But this inference by no means follows. The sub-contractor is given a lien directly on the property, not on the debt payable to the contractor; to the contractor for this building. The \$4700 paid under the contract was all paid to the plaintiff upon the order of the contractor. The plaintiff now sues for a balance of \$2884.45 and interest thereon and claims a lien on the building and lot, under the "Act to Provide for Liens of Mechanics and Material men," Ch 21, Laws of 1888.

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does not work a forfeiture of the rights of a sub-contractor with reference to materials furnished before the abandonment. The case would, of course, be otherwise if the statute merely subrogated the sub-contractor to the rights of the contractor.

Fifthly, it was provided in the contract that the contractor should before each payment, if required, give sufficient evidence that the premises were free from all liens, that if at any time there should be any liens for which the owners might be liable they might retain from the moneys payable to the contractor sufficient to indemnify them, and that if there should be any such claim after all payment were made the contractor should refund to them all moneys that they might be compelled to pay in discharging the liens. These provisions might estop the contractor from filing a lien, but they do not estop a sub-contractor from doing so. They imply, on the contrary, that such liens may be filed and provide for indemnity in case they shall be filed. Evans v. Grangian, 153 Pa. st. 121, Creswell Iron Works v. O'Brien, 156 Ia. 172.

The assignment by the contractor to the plaintiff of all moneys payable under the contract was accepted by the Hawaiian Lodge "subject to all the conditions of the contract." This did not estop the plaintiff from filing a lien. It did not make him a party to the contract. The contract itself was not assigned, but only the moneys payable under it, and, no doubt, the plaintiff could not recover on this assignment any moneys beyond what would otherwise have been payable to the contractor. But the present claim is not for moneys payable by the terms of the contract; it is for the enforcement of a lien under the statute.

Sixthly, certain stairway material, of the value of \$100, was delivered, not at the building, on which the lien is claimed, but at the shop of the contractor, who disposed of the same in satisfaction of a claim for rent against himself.

Courts elsewhere are about equally divided upon the question whether a lien may be sustained for material sold, but not actually incorporated in, a building. By some courts it is held that the contractor is the quasi agent of the owner, that the material man is justified in trusting him, the contractor, inasmuch as the owner has presumably selected him as one in whom confidence may be reposed, and that it would be unjust to require the material man (and impracticable for him) to follow up the material and prove that it was all used in a particular building.

We cannot go so far. The owner does not, either expressly or by implication, give the contractor any authority to incur liability on his behalf for materials, but on the contrary he expressly stipulates that the contractor himself shall furnish all the materials and do all the work for a definite sum. The statute, it is true, makes the contractor the agent of the owner, against the wishes of the latter, but to a very limited extent only. The material man is not justified in relying upon the honesty of the contractor because the owner has to some extent done so. He is not bound to sell his materials and he must form his own judgment of the integrity of the contractor. He is sufficiently protected, as against the owner, by the presumption that the materials were actually used for the purpose for which they were sold, throwing the burden of proof upon the owner to show the contrary. If the materials were sold directly to the owner or to the contractor or with the express approval of the owner for use in a particular building, the latter would probably in most cases be estopped from claiming a different use, but where the sale is to the contractor without the express approval and perhaps without the knowledge of the owner, The reason has greater force when, as in this case, the materials are furnished, not to the owner himself, but to the contractor and perhaps without any knowledge on the part of the owner. See Russell v. Bell, 44 Pa. St. 44; Phill., Mee Lien, Sec. 349. If the lien were claimed by the contractor for all the labor and material furnished for a building under an entire contract, a more general description might perhaps be sufficient under the statute.

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F. M. Hatch and W. A. Kinney, Jr., plaintiffs; A. W. Carter and C. Brown, defendants.

Honolulu, October 31, 1895.

contract in question and the manager of the plaintiff's business. This was also apparently the finding of fact by the trial Judge, who disposed of the point on the question of law. The argument is that the statute is sufficiently complied with by a claim for "materials" only, and that the words "lumber and hardware" may be treated as surplusage.

A partial enumeration which purports to be a complete enumeration is worse than none at all, because it is misleading. See Wulff v. Mill Co., 38 Am. St. Rep. (Wash.) 149. And even if a claim merely for "materials" were sufficient, there would be considerable ground for limiting a person who did not make such claim, to the claim actually made. He ought not to expect more than he claims, especially if his claim is misleading.

But, is a claim merely for "material" sufficient? The statute requires that the "no ice shall set forth the amount of the claim, the labor or material furnished, a description of the property sufficient to identify the same, and any other matter necessary to a clear understanding of the same."

Many statutes elsewhere upon this subject require a full or itemized statement, but our statute, like some others, does not go so far. In Loukey v. Wells, 16 Am. St. Rep. 271, the statute required the material man to file a claim containing a statement of his demand. The lien was claimed for "lumber, doors, sash, blinds, moldings, casings and built work." The Court held this a sufficient description, as it showed the "nature and character" of the demand. That our own statute does not require a full itemized statement is implied by the requirement of Section 5, that "the defendant shall be served with a detailed specification of the claim, provided that no such specification shall have been furnished before proceeding.

It seems to us, however, that the nature or character of the materials should be shown. The statute requires the notice to "set forth" the material furnished. This means more than that the claim may be simply for "material." It means at least that the class or kind or nature of the material should be shown. The provision that the notice shall set forth "any other matter necessary to a clear understanding of the same" also bears out this construction.

While the words descriptive of the materials furnished should be construed literally, yet no materials should be included which do not fairly come within the generally accepted definitions of those words.

The statute is artificial, arbitrary. It gives a material man exceptional privileges, but it gives these only on condition that he shall comply with the terms of the statute. The statute provides that the "lien shall not attach" unless notice, of the character described, is filed. As has been already said, the statute is to be strictly construed. It is in the power of the material man to give a proper description of the materials he has sold. It is reasonable to require him to do so, in view of the extraordinary favors extended to him. And this should be required in justice to the owner, purchasers, encumbrancers, other material men and all other persons whose interests may be affected by the lien. The reason has greater force when, as in this case, the materials are furnished, not to the owner himself, but to the contractor and perhaps without any knowledge on the part of the owner. See Russell v. Bell, 44 Pa. St. 44; Phill., Mee Lien, Sec. 349. If the lien were claimed by the contractor for all the labor and material furnished for a building under an entire contract, a more general description might perhaps be sufficient under the statute.

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Objections to Opening of a Ditch.

FATHER CONRADY AT MOLOKAI.

Objects to Removal From the Settlement—The Ditch Through W. W. Hall's Property—Unhealthy Place. Chinese Doctor Refused License.

At a meeting of the Board of Health, held Wednesday afternoon, there were present President Waterhouse, members Lansing, Kelipio, Reynolds, Drs. Emerson, Wood, Day and Minister Cooper.

Superintendent Brown of the water works requested an appropriation of \$2500 for expenses of running the pumping plant. The last appropriation was exhausted. The Board decided to take \$2500 from the cholera expenses to be used for the pumping plant.

A letter was read from E. H. Wodehouse asking that fishing at Kukuluaeo be permitted. Dr. Emerson moved that restrictions upon waters east of the new retaining wall be removed. Carried.

Dr. Wood moved to remove restrictions on fishing on the west side of the entrance to Kalibhi. Carried.

Superintendent Brown of the water works stated that fresh water was used by shipping ostensibly for washing decks, and the Government was receiving no pay for the supply. Dr. Day moved that the water of the harbor be used for washing the decks of vessels in port. Carried.

The claim of Wong Chow for damages at being turned out from the flats at Leleo or Kaluia was referred to Health Agent Reynolds. Damages claimed, \$54 60.

The resignation of Dr. Russell from Waianae was read and accepted. Dr. Day moved that in the acceptance of the resignation be included a vote of thanks of the Board. Carried.

The application of Mrs. H. L. Jenkins for permission to reside on Molokai was referred to the president.

Father Conrady's letter was read. In it he asked the reasons for the Board of Health, in the action of ordering him off the leper settlement at Molokai. He asked the Board to consider deeply the responsibility of removing from the settlement a contaminated person such as himself.

Dr. Wood reported that the committee had examined the Chinese doctor, and found him totally incompetent. Dr. Wood recommended that no license be granted him. The recommendation of the committee on examination was accepted.

On the subject of opening a ditch through the grounds of W. W. Hall, the following communications were received—the first from W. W. Hall, the second from P. C. Jones:

Sixteen years ago there was an epidemic of typhoid malaria in Honolulu. At that time along the course of the stream, from the Mist course to the premises now owned by Mrs. T. R. Foster, I can recall at least thirteen cases, five of which proved fatal. Even then this irrigating ditch was named as a cause of the trouble.

We have the same right held by all other land owners along the course of the ditch for irrigating. I have gone to no little expense and inconvenience to close the stream, but have done it cheerfully, feeling that it was a wise measure. To reopen it, however, would be not only an additional expense but a menace to the public health, and while we might not be in any immediate danger from cholera, we might learn to our sorrow that cholera is not the only epidemic to be dreaded. Furthermore, while the stream has been in a way a convenience to us, it has also been an injury to my property, as more than once it has stood in the way of our finding tenants for our cottages.

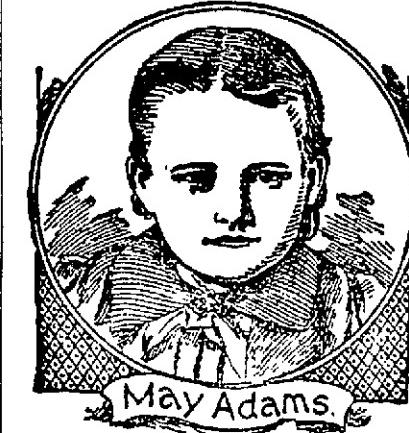
I cannot discover that at this time any one depends upon this stream for irrigating, with the exception of Judge Judd and Mrs. T. R. Foster. I understand also that Judge Judd is quite willing to make other arrangements.

I am in receipt of yours of October 26th informing me that the ditch ordered by the Board of Health may be reopened, provided I will sever connection between the ditch and cesspool and drains.

In reply, I would beg to say that I was ordered to fill up this ditch, being assured that it would not be reopened, and have done so at a large expense to myself, having filled in part and destroyed a cemented ditch, which was put down only last year at an expense of \$150, besides building a new cesspool at a cost of over \$200, to take the connections formerly running into the ditch lately closed.

In my opinion it would be dangerous to the health of the people living along the line of the old ditch to have it reopened, for the reason that often there is but little water flowing through it, and at such times mangoes, bananas and leaves from trees along the ditch fall in and remain there to rot, there not being sufficient water to carry them off; then the ditch leaks in many places, and in my own lot I have expended considerable money to stop the leaks, but without avail, and the seepage keeps the land adjoining wet continually, besides forming pools of stagnant water that breed disease, thereby making it very unhealthy, besides being injurious to the land, over which the ditch has no claim whatever.

I most earnestly protest against reopening this ditch, and hope the Board will make a most careful investigation before allowing same to be reopened.

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It was rumored on the street yesterday that the State Department at Washington had refused to consider the claim of Captain John Ross against the Hawaiian Government for damages. This is one of the cases growing out of the January revolution.

The grounds for the action of Secretary Olney are stated to be briefly these: That Captain Ross while an American citizen to the extent that he has never renounced his allegiance to the United States Government, the fact that he has remained away from there and has been engaged in business outside the limits of the territory of that government is evidence sufficient that he did not intend to make the United States his place of abode.

A ruling of the same nature was made recently by Ambassador Bayard in the case of certain individuals, Americans, who have been identified with certain business affairs in London for the past twenty-five years. Another instance was the case of a dentist who had been practising his profession in St. Petersburg for twenty-four years but who had been living away from the United States for thirty years. Once in two years it had been his custom to call at the United States Legation and have his passport reissued for two years more. On a recent visit he was notified that his passport could not be renewed because the United States could not consider a man a citizen who kept himself away for so long a period, and that such documents were issued to tourists and persons sojourning for a limited time. Upon appealing to the State Department he was informed that he might receive a new passport by visiting the United States in person and presenting an application. The individual did as requested and when he received his passport he found that it was made out to read that he was not to engage in business. He was informed at the same time that the passport would not be renewed.

If this rumor is correct, and there seems to be no doubt about it, the citizenship of half a hundred prominent people here will be affected. It is impossible that the ruling regarding citizens of the United States residing in Hawaii, is just only from the standpoint of an official in a democratic administration. Inquiry was made at the foreign office yesterday regarding the rumor but nothing had been heard of it officially or otherwise. As the case had never gone into the foreign office here and as Secretary Olney would not consider it the officials here would not be advised of the matter.

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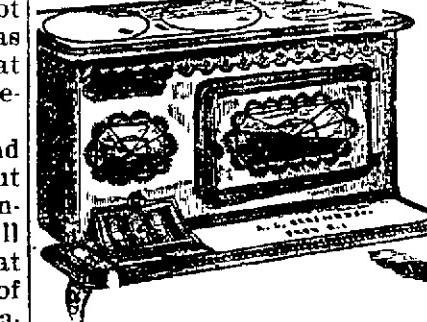
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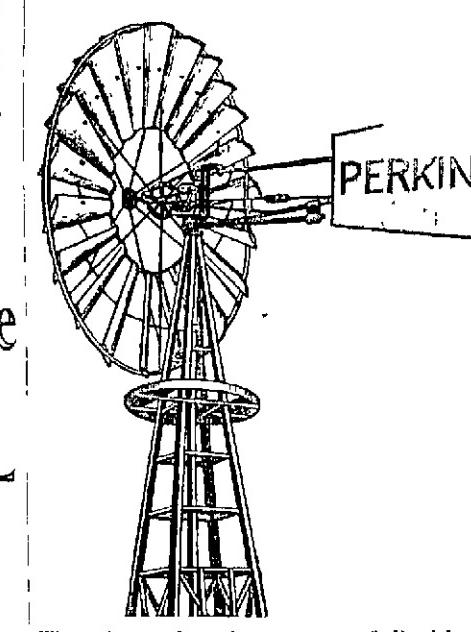
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